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Continuation or divisional application under 37 CFR This is a request for a 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/187,579, filed

on November 5, 1998, entitled Missing Lens Detection System and Method.

NOTES

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

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